

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Keep the Fire Burning in Your Soul so you can be a Greater Blessing!

GET CLOSER TO GOD

The Lord Honors His Word And Blesses Those Who Obey it

We Must Work Harder Than Ever in These Perilous Times.

There are many attractions in these days to draw people away from God. There are the worldly entertainments, social environments, money making, the many kinds of troubles that are in the world, talk that should not be engaged in, pride that lurks close by every man woman and child to catch them in his subtle snare, and a thousand other things that are real temptations to do evil.

But there are also attractions to draw people heavenward. The Spirit draws, the Father draws, prayer draws, our departed relatives and friends who have died in the faith draw, the description of heaven with all of its beauties and glory makes a special attraction. To me there are more and stronger attractions heavenward than hellward. The drawing power upward is much stronger than the down pull.

I do not know that it seems this way to every one. I suppose it does not or there would not be so many ship wrecks or faith and ruined lives lying out in the ditch by the way side. I admit that conditions are such that they make the Christian path a rugged thorny one, but while this is true there is a strong unseen force that continues to pull up the steep and over the crags dragging its load on and on up the heights toward heaven.

We sometimes sing, "O for a closer walk with God." And this is indeed our prayer. We have the same privilege of walking with God as the saints in other ages, and history shows that there have been many that walked with God. Enoch walked with God before the flood. Noah walked with God and was perfect in his generation. Samuel, David and a host of others walked with God in their days. So we know it is possible to get closer to God and walk with Him. Paul commands us to "walk in the Spirit." He goes a little further and shows that we may "live in the Spirit." (Gal. 5:16, 25.)

There is a sacred place in the presence of God where every child of God should dwell. It may be like a watered garden and springs of living water. There is a life giving flow that invigorates the soul and so braces it up until the storms and tempests of Satan can scarcely disturb. The roar may be heard, and the influence slightly felt, but no disturbance nor excitement is known.

In the second chapter of Hosea occurs one of those bright little expressions which indicates the tenderness and sweetness of the presence of God. "Thou shalt call me Ishi (that is, my husband.) This is full of meaning. It indicates both a lover and protector. It also denotes a pro-

vider. The term Ishi is one of the very highest and brightest of all Hebrew words. A Hebrew scholar says, "The root thought of the term Ishi is that of divine humanity. It is the term by which the Holy Ghost frequently designates the God-man. It is a phrase used to express all that is pure, affectionate, loyal and beautiful in godly men."

The word Ishi is radiant through and through with the soft, sweet light of a high and holier world. Of all the rich words in the old Testament none fell on a pure Hebrew maiden's heart so full of rich sunlight and love as the word Ishi, for that dear old word expressed the compound idea of a bridegroom and a coming Christ. And it was the perpetual golden dream of a Hebrew maid to have a true husband and be the maternal ancestor of Messiah; and the whole of this dream was collected in Ishi. Get closer to God. "Thou shalt call me Ishi." The plain English thought of this passage is: I will take you from being a hired servant and make you my bride.

So many people are too far from God. The word Baali represents a large class of religious people, to whom religion is a groan, and a sweat, and tiresome battle with the heart. There is no gush of golden gladness in the soul, and when they pray, they only get far enough along to call God Master. The very sound and words denotes distance. But Ishi contains in it the full, tender, laughing, emancipated worship of love. The music of marriage bells, the joyousness of a nuptial banquet, the purity and bliss of holy wedded love, are all inclosed in the rich Hebrew term Ishi. There is no other single word in the Old Scriptures which so delicately and forcibly expresses the celestial experience of holy wedlock. It is an experience which, of its own richness, covers itself all over with radiant and holy names; but after we have gone over the names purity, sanctification, holiness, high life, full salvation, perfection, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, gifts, signs, there still seems a shade of the experience which nothing can express till we copy the words of Isaiah, Hosea, Paul, and John, and call it the marriage of the soul to Jesus.

When Baali falls from our religious vocabulary and Ishi fills our mouths, we then rise from drudgery to delight, from law to love, from penance to fullness, from poverty to power, from faintness to fullness, from sadness to sunlight, from indwelling sin to an indwelling Savior, from widowhood to wedlock, from heavy mourning to a heavenly marriage!

I am sure that many of us need to get closer to God. The religious life and experience can be pretty accurately measured

by the terms in which God is addressed. Those who never pray, refer to the Deity by the universal term God. Inside of this circle is another class who are not religious, but have an element of fear and reverence in them, who speak of Him as their Maker. The next circle may represent the awakened and penitential class of character, who begin to use qualifying adjectives, as merciful God, etc. The next circle of Spiritual character may be the new born, who rise to the blessed use of the title Father.

I do not want to say too much here, but having had a long experience among people who pray I feel that I may not be far wrong in taking the spiritual temperature by the terms that are used involuntarily, or as a kind of natural instinct. With the great majority of Christians, who have been born of the Spirit, but who have staid close to where they started and have not gone on to perfection, we frequently note the divine titles Heavenly Father, Blessed Master, Gracious Lord, and often the grander but colder titles as Thou Almighty Ruler, etc.

But there is another circle of spiritual character into which the Holy Ghost leads those children of God who are perfectly humbled and perfectly consecrated, and this class of character will often address, in public, each Person of the Blessed Trinity, in just as endearing titles as good taste will permit. How natural it is for those who breathe the inner-heart-life of Jesus, and are specially close to Him, to open their mouths in prayer, with "Dear Jesus," "Dear Father," and titles of that order. I know I am treading on delicate ground as well as holy ground, but the most delicate part of this theme is never heard in public; the purified soul does have a style of addressing itself to its Purifier, which is too personal and sacred for strange ears to hear, and pours itself out only in the affectionate communing of the closet. But the word which the sanctified soul whispers to Jesus in the closet, is the very word which the Church of God will sing at the marriage supper of the Lamb; Ishi, my Husband, my spouse, my Immortal Love! As a tree reveals its kind of life by the color and odor of its flower, so the life of the soul will unfold itself in the hue and fragrance of its prayers and words. The wedded heart will put itself in wedded phrase, and call its Lord by a new name which the Spirit alone can give.

In that wonderful fifty fourth chapter of Isaiah the Holy Ghost through the prophet uses some very endearing terms which indicate a very close relationship with God. "Thy Maker is thine husband." What a glorious invitation to draw nearer to God! Who would not want to accept this invitation so it can be said, "Thy Maker is thine husband." Both a caretaker and a lover. And he goes further and says "The Lord of hosts is his name." There is something near and dear about these expressions.

The picture shows a woman forsaken a little while, tossed

and driven with a terrible tempest, afflicted and despised, but when the tide turns, He comes with great mercies and everlasting kindness and rescues her from her tormentors and persecutors. Then the prophet proceeds to enumerate the richness of the blessings that are to follow. Everything beautiful and grand. The children are to be cared for in a special manner and those that gather together against her shall fall. And no matter about the roar of the enemy and the awful onslaught of his satanic majesty as he bears down upon her with terrific force she stands shielded and kept by power divine. No weapon that is formed against her shall prosper.

But to have this protection one must truly get close to God. No wandering away, or walking zigzag life. Doubts and questions must not be entertained. Settled, fixed, rooted and grounded in love. Truly the Lord honors His Word and blesses those who obey it. One need not expect to walk near the Lord and rest under His sheltering wings without obedience. Disobedience brings fret and worry and lands one into shame and shipwreck. Obedience invites the pleasure and favor of our Heavenly Father. In His wonderful discourse to Israel on the importance of obedience Moses told them that God had not chosen them and set His love upon them because they were more in number than any people, "for" said He, "ye were the fewest of all people," but it was because the Lord loved them. This is true of His people today. The true blue are few in number, but God lavishes His wonderful love upon them and blesses those beyond measure who serve Him faithfully and obey His Word and His "still small voice" in everything.

Love does the choosing, and of course He chooses those who are willing to be loved, and who are willing to be saved by love. "Ye have not chosen me," said Jesus, "but I have chosen you" that ye should go and bring forth fruit." Love knows its object. Jesus, from His heart, chooses those to be His bride who are willing in this life to be made conformable unto His death, and from the death of Self to bear much fruit. Even after entering the kingdom of Christ, our rank in that kingdom is according to the measure of our drinking His cup and being baptized with His baptism.

We are all familiar with the idea of adoption, the witness of the spirit, which makes us feel that we are the children of God at the time of our conversion. We are also familiar with those wonderful experiences that follow—sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the other tongues as the evidence, but the line of thought in this lesson is to get closer to God, not like the adoption of a child but the selection of a bosom companion—a life partner. A closer walk with God so we can have Him as our bosom companion and He can also have us.

Many scriptures represent Jesus as bringing us to His Father's family and adopting us as His children. There are other

Scriptures representing the espousal of the soul to Christ, the heavenly Bridegroom. What infinite care does Jesus take to domesticate us in His Father's family, to draw out our affections to angels and saints, to make us feel perfectly at home in the heavenly places. And how slow we are sometimes to appreciate this heavenly home circle to which Christ brings the soul He desires to espouse.

What a strange and alarming experience it is, that when the believer begins to seek earnestly for an increase of grace and power, God answers him by revealing more than ever his spiritual poverty and utter weakness, so that often what little strength he had is shorn from him. Ah, soul! in order that new God-given energy may be given, those remnants of natural strength, of natural will power, which have so often deceived you, and in which you have so often unconsciously trusted, must all be taken away. God's strength is made perfect only at the point where our weakness is made perfect.

Dear friend, are you drawing closer to God? Do you still cry out from the depth of your soul, make me like Him? Oh, what desolation God has to make all through us to beautify us for Himself! Christian people seem to think it is all right for God to desolate sinners, in order to convert them; yet thousands of them are under the miserable delusion that they must not be desolated in order to their perfect transformation into the mind of Jesus. But if you desire to get closer to God so you can nestle under His protecting wing and glory as we are rapidly approaching the day of the Lord's vengeance on the earth you must submit to His ways and methods. You must remember that the Lord honors His Word and blesses those who obey it in what ever it says rightly divided.

We are preparing for the coming of our heavenly Bridegroom and this means that we must work harder than ever in these perilous times. Talk about rest and vacations, we must hardly think of such. While in certain instances where people have overworked themselves it may be refreshing and invigorating to take a short season of rest, but often the best rest comes in service. For some who have no time for rest their only hope is translation. These continuous workers content themselves in enjoying soul rest, and sitting together in heavenly places in Christ.

Oh, how Jesus loves the soul that is abandoned to His arms without any reserve, that has bid an unchangable and eternal adieu to the last vestiges of old self! The soul that will gladly take Him for better or worse; the soul that thirsts to drink of His spirit, to partake of the traits of His mind, and to go forth with Him on the battlefields of time, sharing His fortunes in the plan of saving the world. Yes, we must work harder than ever in these perilous

times, because the work must be done and there are so few to do it. I would rather shorten my days by working hard for my Master than to prolong my days by taking off days for recreation. I would rather fall in my tracks doing my best than to do half my best and linger for days and months on a sick bed.

We get tired, of course, but the work has to be done if we are tired. When I used to plow and work hard on the farm I had to get up and go whether I felt good or not. Sometimes I forced myself off of the bed in the early morning and have fallen on the floor a helpless heap where I remained for a few minutes before I came to myself. As soon as I regained consciousness, up I jumped and hastened off to my work in a run and kept it up through the entire day and late at night. I was working then for the world. Must I not do better for my Lord who purchased my redemption at such a cost? Last night I worked late—retired at a few minutes after midnight, and at one fifteen the phone rang and this was a call to hurry out nearly two miles to pray for a sick brother, after the prayer I ran back and snatched about two hours sleep and then out at my work again, and tonight I am delivering this love message to about seventy five thousand souls. And what is my reward for all this? That I may have the pleasure of working hard for Him that suffered and died for me to keep my soul out of hell. And, too, if by my constant toil I can keep one soul out of hell that would go there if I took things more moderate it will be a reward eternally. If by me working harder and harder I can save one soul that otherwise would be lost then my reward will be full. Hallelujah!

Get closer to God? Of course we must! Obey His Word? Yes indeed we must! Work harder than ever in these perilous times? Oh, brother, sister, dear ones everywhere, how can we afford not to do it when souls are at stake and dropping into hell by the millions while we sleep a few hours! O yes, my dearly beloved, let us really get closer to God and stick close to each other and work harder for Him and His beautiful Church for the sake of Him who gave Himself a ransom for many. He, our blessed Redeemer, deserves all of our energy and strength and then we can never repay Him for what He has done for us. Let us be a unit and give ourselves to Him in a more definite way tonight than any time in the past.

Beloved, I make one more solemn appeal to you tonight: Get closer to God! Serve Him with all your might regardless of rest or rewards, or sacrifices you may be required to make to do it. It will pay you. It will not pay to be easy and careless. Keep on edge and tiptoe to the highest notch, and strain every nerve to win souls and save them from everlasting trouble and distress. Will you? I believe you will. All who will try to do your best hold up your hands! Let us pray!

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The Gideon Band will win the battle. Will you be one?

If you are going to serve the Lord then serve Him and let the other fellow alone.

It is said the clubs are thrown at the tree that has the good ripe apples on it. That must be the Church of God, but she is rejoicing over it.

The Assembly will convene Oct. 30—Nov. 4, D. V. Get ready for it. Remember that those who attend will have to bear their own expenses while there.

Remember the Evangel subscription campaign commences next week. Read all about it elsewhere. Please help us in this campaign. 15 days only. Sept. 1—15.

The Bible School opens Sept. 29. Hope every student will be on hands the very first day. Read about it in another column. We expect great things from the very start.

Get ready to purchase the book by L. Howard Juillerat on the first run. We will soon be ready to announce the price and say "ready for sale." It will be in two styles of binding, cloth and paper.

The news of the death of Brother E. J. Allen of Harriman Tenn. reached this office last week. He was about seventy eight years of age, and a faithful member and deacon of the Church of God.

Some have already sent in their orders for Sunday School literature for the fourth quarter. We like to see people run ahead this way. It denotes energy and a determination to make things go. And we must unite in making the Sunday School work go.

To-day closes up another month's work. This has been a great month in the service of the Lord. Many great revivals have been reported where many have been converted, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Let us do our best to make the next month still better.

Remember we have only two months to reach the twenty thousand mark before the As-

sembly. Do your best in the next fifteen days subscription campaign. Read the plan and liberal offer elsewhere in the paper, send for copies of the paper and subscription blanks and enter the campaign with a will to help us win. Let every subscriber get at least two subscriptions and renew your own subscription for two years. Get the benefits yourself and tell it to others and give them the benefits. Shout, hurrah for the Evangel!

The fan season will soon be over, but keep on using them as long as the weather is hot. Remember each fan contains a gospel message. Get them and pass them on to others. 35c per doz. \$2.25 per hundred.

"Advice to girls" by M. S. Lemons. The book is still going at the regular price. 25c single copy, \$2.00 per doz. Every girl and mother should read this book.

Tracts, tracts, purchase them and hand them out. This is a good way to work for the Lord. The reading of a single tract may bring a soul to Christ. You do not know which one it will be. And suppose you never hand one out and one soul is lost because you do not. Let us do our best and flood the country with our gospel literature. See our tract list in another column.

We hope many more will be ready to take up the Sunday School Home Class Department work next quarter. If you want information about it write us for the same, get the Home Class Quarterlies and Envelopes and try it in your community. It can be a success in your school as well as others. One school I know of has over a hundred in their home class department studying the lessons regularly. This same school has an average attendance of about one hundred. Let us pray and work to win souls through the Sunday School.

Two more months till the Assembly. Let us make good use of the time and do our best on every line. The main object is the salvation of souls and everything we can do to help toward that end should be done. Get the paper in new homes, Sunday-school work, prayer meeting, revivals, street meetings, mission work, tithes, personal work etc. Every one should do something. Must not have an idle member. If you are unable to do any thing else you can surely pray, and this is probably the most effective service of all.

Requests

Lewis Mauldin of Central, S. C., wants each saint to pray that the Lord will heal his head. It runs very much.

Robert D. Dunaway of Morgantown, Miss., earnestly requests the saints to pray for the healing of his body. He is suffering with appendicitis.

Sarah Garrison, Straight Creek, Ky., desires prayer that she may be strong in body and spirit. She also requests prayer for her loved ones who are out in sin and her brother who is in the army.

Tommie Cox of Middlesex, N. C. requests the prayers of the saints that she may be lifted from that sinful path into the path of righteousness and that she may get the Holy Ghost.

W. L. McKinney, Dalton, Ga., R. 6, requests the prayers of the saints that he may be saved before it is too late. He would be glad to hear from anyone who could write him.

M. F. Nelson of Gunton Park, Va., wants all the saints to pray that he may be sanctified and

filled with the Holy Ghost. Also pray for the healing of his body. He has been afflicted ever since he had the influenza.

James C. Allen feels that the Lord has been talking to him about His work and there are two or three things in his way. He wants the Christian people to pray that they may soon be removed and that he will be willing for God to have His way.

Mrs. Lucious Boyd, Jayess, Miss. desires the saints to pray that she may be satisfied with her experience. She wants to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. She wants to know the hindering cause. Also pray that she and her two sisters may be healed.

G. A. Meadows, Sulphur Springs, Texas, requests the saints of God to pray that he may be as he once was. He has done and said things that he should not and asks the forgiveness of the people. He is praying but doesn't feel that God answers. Pray that he may feel the presence of the Lord and work for Him.

Mrs. Anna Steelmon of Pleasant Hill, Tenn., requests prayer that she may do God's will and be a soul-winner for Jesus and that her four children may be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire. Also pray that her husband may be healed of catarrh and rheumatism and that he may be a great power for God.

Mrs. Bertha Burgess of Port St. Joe, Fla. has three children who have backslidden and are seeking to get back to God. Pray for them. Two of the children are living with worldly people. As they have no father, pray that they may get a home with Church of God people. She also requests prayer that the heavy burden which she is bearing may be removed.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Everywhere:

Please pray for me to be healed of rheumatism and strengthened in body and spirit so I can be in some Church of God meetings. I have not been able to work for six years, I am now confined to the house. I am not a member of the Church of God but that is my belief.

I would be glad to hear from any of the saints.

Yours in Jesus,
J. R. Peyton.

Notice

A revival meeting will begin at 181 Burnett St., Spartanburg, S. C. August 30. Brother J. N. and Sister Hurley and workers will be in charge. We would like for Brother Cross to come and help in the meeting. We ask all the saints to pray that many souls may get saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire.

Your humble brother,
John Delong.

Notice

Perry, Fla.
Dear Brother Tomlinson, Greetings in Jesus' Name:

Our Dear Brother Sullivan has been sick for months, and he wants the prayers of the whole Church that God will heal him, and also that God will have mercy upon him and supply the needs of his family since his sickness has reduced him to poverty. The Lord touched his body once and he went back to work, but he is down again. He needs our prayers, sympathy and help.

W. S. Caruthers.

Genesee, Idaho.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All Who Read This—Greetings of Love Through Christ Our Lord.

What a wonderful Savior we have. Oh, isn't He good? Bless His sweet name. I do thank and praise Him for sending me the Church of God Evangel. I enjoy its contents so much. The first page is so rich, it keeps the fire burning. Hallelujah! We don't have good Holy Ghost preaching here so good spiritual reading has a hearty welcome with us. I love to read the good testimonies and I love to tell of Jesus' love and power to save.

I praise God for baptizing me with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, and for keeping me in this narrow path where I feel free to confess Him as my great King and Physician. I praise Him most for this wonderful divine love He has flooded me with. Oh, love, love, love. How wonderful and unexpressable. GOD IS LOVE.

I would like for some band of workers to come to this part of the vineyard. There is a wide harvest field and laborers are few. I don't know that a Church of God minister has been here but I believe God will send us a good minister soon. I know He answers prayer. Hallelujah! Glory to His blessed name! My whole heart is in the work for Christ here. Please help me pray for a revival and pray that I may do more for Jesus in the future than in the past. I want Him to have His way with me in all things regardless of what others do or say. I have started in with the Lord's despised few and I am going through. Hallelujah!

Your sister in the Master's service,
Mrs. C. Clark.

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Stevenson, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Evangel Readers:

I am still living for the Lord, still have the Holy Ghost and speak in tongues. Bless His dear name. I praise God for this wonderful plan of salvation. I am so glad I found this sweet humble way. I have no desire to sin. I mean by the help of the Lord to reach heaven some day. Bless His dear name.

There are no Church of God people here but some believers. There is a host of worldly people here so please pray for me to live a clean life before the world and be ready to meet Jesus when He comes or calls.

Your sister under the blood,
Janie Gass.

Lamasco, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and all Members of the Church of God—Greetings in the Great Name of Jesus:

I am so glad I have salvation I can enjoy in this present world. Praise God! Hallelujah! I am so glad to report victory through the precious blood of Jesus. I am the only one here who has the Holy Ghost and I have many oppositions but thank God, it does not weaken me nor change His blessed truths.

I earnestly request the prayers of all the saints for my family, especially my oldest son who is a backslider. I know

Jesus is able to save. Also pray that I may be what Jesus wants me to be and that I may be instrumental in leading my entire family to Jesus.

W. V. Henry.

Starkville, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in the Name of Jesus:

I am praising the Lord for saving, sanctifying, and baptizing me with the Holy Ghost. Glory to His name. I never was satisfied with my religion till I got the Holy Ghost.

I am not a member of the Church of God but I expect to join the first opportunity. There are not any saints here. We need some workers for the Lord. We have started prayer meeting in the homes. We would be glad for some Holy Ghost filled preacher to come here and run a meeting any time in August except the fourth Sunday.

I want the saints to pray with me that my husband may be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for me to be humble at Jesus' feet and to do His will.

Your sister in the battle for Jesus.

Mrs. Maggie Latham.

Huntsville, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, Brothers and Sisters—Greetings in Jesus' precious name:

It affords me great pleasure to sound a note of praise to God. I'm so glad holiness reached my home. How I thank and praise God because He sanctified me and filled me with the Holy Ghost. Glory to God. It is joy unspeakable and full of glory just to know how God blesses His children who will let Him have His way with them. I have two children in this way. How I delight to think how God answers prayer. No place is too hard for Him. The devil tries in many ways to devour our souls but by His help we mean to press on and win the prize. We would be so glad to have some good Holy Ghost filled man or woman to come and help us to get souls saved and to work for the upbuilding of the Church of God. Pray for us that we may stand true to God.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. R. Y. Maddox.

Talbott, Tenn.

Dear Evangel Family:

I am still standing firm for the Church of God and am pressing with all my might toward heaven.

Yesterday I received twenty-seven hundred tracts and Evangelists to distribute and last night I dreamed that I had quite a load of them on my shoulder carrying them into a difficult place where a vehicle cannot go. All at once a sinner man appeared to me that I had known twenty-five years. I laid down my Evangel and he and I cut down a large tree. In the heart of that stump we found a receptacle which was oblong, in it we found another container which contained two small glass bottles, one filled with a liquid like blood that had been refined, and the other with apparently clear water. I supposed this to be the water and blood which Jesus shed upon the cross. There was also a small sachet with something in it, I did not get it open. On the corner of this sachet was another the size of a large bean with pure gold wasting from it. There was a small Testament in the stump which I did not get to read. My dream ended in laughing and rejoicing and singing, "O, sometime I'll walk with Jesus."

If anyone can interpret this, I would like for you to send the interpretation to the Evangel.

Dear people there are some great things just ahead for the Church of God.

With great love to the Church,
W. E. Hill.

Obituaries

The death angel visited our home August 12, 1919, and took our darling little girl, Mary Carrie, aged four years.

Her father,
D. S. Annis.
Island Grove, Fla.

The death angel visited the home of Brother J. S. Hill and took his loving mother, August 9, 1919. She left a place that can not be filled but we hope to meet her in the land above where we will look on bright faces that have overcome the last temptation.

C. R. Tilghman.

Our dear Sister Aquie Harold of Aracoma, Logan, W. Va., departed this life Sunday, Aug. 10, 1919, aged 31 years. She lived a faithful Christian for ten years, received the baptism of the Holy Ghost about two years ago and was a member of the Church of God. Her presence will be greatly missed for she always had a word of comfort and cheer for every one. Her life has been an inspiration to all who knew her. She trusted God for soul and body. She praised God and talked in tongues as long as she could talk.

She leaves to mourn her loss, a husband, six children, a father, mother, five sisters, three brothers and a host of friends. Funeral service was conducted by Brother E. C. Clark.

We are longing and looking for Jesus to come that we may meet our dear sister.

Her brother in Christ,
J. H. Winters.

Kosmosdale, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name:

I am still on victory side for my Savior. I praise him for so many who have started in this way, yet it grieves me to see so many who say by their actions, they don't want Jesus as their Savior.

There are no people here in this way but my husband and I, except three colored women. But praise God, they love my Savior.

I am away from the saints but I feel there is a work for me to do and I want your prayers that the Lord will lead me to the work. We are weak in the Lord, pray that we may gain strength in Him. I expect to see Him soon.

I praise Him for saving me about five years ago. I lived the best I could in a saved state but I felt all the time that there was a happier way and I prayed for the Lord to lead me to it. Two years ago I had the opportunity of attending a holiness meeting. I attended all the time and went to the altar but did not get through.

I moved to Illinois and there I took the measles and was at the point of death. I told my husband if the Lord didn't heal me, I would not last long. My husband sent for the sanctified people to come and pray for me and I do praise God for His healing power. This was in February and in June the holiness people came to Equality to hold a meeting and I was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and I speak in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

Well, praise God for His goodness to me. I am unworthy of the blessings He gives me. Pray that God will use me to His own glory.

May the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you till He comes or calls for us.

Mrs. Martha E. Bratcher.

SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN

Beginning Sept. 1, and continuing for fifteen days will be another SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN for the Evangel.

We set in last year to make the number of subscriptions ten thousand by Nov. 1918. Although we were deprived of having the Assembly then we were able to report the ten thousand printed in time to report the victory at the Assembly. At the beginning of the new year we set our stakes at fifteen thousand by the next Assembly that is to convene about Nov. 1-1919. Some who saw the announcement suggested that we ought to make it twenty thousand instead of fifteen thousand. I felt the gentle rebuke and thought of Jesus' words, "O ye of little faith." I concluded that if others could have enough faith to suggest twenty thousand by the Assembly in Nov. 1919, that I ought to at least join in with them. So we went to work and everybody worked together and by the time the year was half out the subscriptions had reached the fifteen thousand mark and soon we announced in the paper that it was taking sixteen thousand five hundred to fill the demands each week. This is the highest mark that has been made, but we must not stop at this. Our friends have been working faithfully and many have sent in good lists, but not enough to raise it to the desired mark.

Now, as we are nearing the time for the Assembly, and thousands of the lovers of the Evangel are very anxious to make the twenty thousand mark by the Assembly we have decided to launch another special subscription campaign. Will you help us? I am sure that you will.

Proposition.

For the sake of getting the Evangel into thousands of new homes yet before the Assembly, and to help us win the twenty thousand mark, we have decided to make the following remarkable proposition:

TWO NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR ONE DOLLAR.

We cannot accept one subscription for fifty cents, but for two or more new subscriptions we make it for fifty cents each for one year. When sending in always mention this notice.

This proposition is for FIFTEEN DAYS ONLY, beginning Sept. 1, LABOR DAY.

Remember the above proposition applies to new subscribers only.

For Renewals.

Remember the above proposition does not apply to renewals, but we will not forget them in this special campaign. To all subscribers who will renew your subscriptions in this special fifteen days campaign, if you will send us one dollar, and say RENEWAL, and mention this notice we will mark you up for two years. This will apply to those who are in arrears, those whose time has just expired and those who are already paid in advance for any period of time.

These propositions put every body on equal footing. Nothing less than one dollar will be accepted, but any amount over one dollar will be accepted. You cannot get the paper for one single fifty cents, but two subscriptions for fifty cents each or three subscriptions for one dollar and fifty cents will be all right.

Now, let every lover of the

Evangel get ready to commence work the very first day of the campaign, and do your best for fifteen days. Let us make sure of reaching the twenty thousand mark. Tell the proposition to every body you meet, and make regular canvasses from house to house. Send for copies of the Evangel and subscription blanks to use in this campaign. This is a very liberal offer and we want it made known everywhere. We cannot get to the people except through our friends. We therefore, make an earnest appeal for every subscriber to get at least two new subscriptions for fifty cents each and you renew your own subscription two years for one dollar. Please do this for the sake of Jesus and the spread of His glorious gospel.

Always make your checks and orders payable to A. J. Tomlinson, as this makes them more convenient to handle in the office.

We will give you three days after the fifteenth of Sept. to get your subscription lists into the office, but this does not mean you are to wait till the end to send. You may send in what you have any time after the first day of the campaign. Never send the names without the money.

Always write the names, and addresses plain so we will make no mistakes when we enter them on the list.

Bible Training School
Will Open Sept. 29—1919. At Cleveland Tenn. in the Evangel Office Building.

Ten days instruction at the beginning of the school by M. S. Lemons. Following this the regular course will begin.

There will be no extra charge for the regular students, but those who come in for the ten days only will be expected to pay two dollars tuition for the ten days. This will mean two weeks of school, five school days each week.

Every preacher and worker within reach of Cleveland should take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to study the Bible for ten days under this able instructor.

Write us at once if you expect to come so arrangements can be made for places to board.

Those in and around Cleveland who expect to attend this two weeks school should call at the Evangel office as early as convenient and register.

Remember this is a great opportunity and should be made use of by all that want to study the Bible.

Revival services at the church every night. This will be a special opportunity for Cleveland and vicinity.

Remember the date Sept. 29 to Oct. 10.

Bring your Bibles, notebooks and pencils and prepare for good work.

Address Bible Training School
Cleveland, Tenn.

Circleville, Ohio.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to praise God for victory in my soul. I am glad to know that Jesus is wonderfully blessing in Circleville. We had a great service Wednesday evening. God surely poured out His power upon the saints, music was played under the power, the saints danced and handled fire. Two received the Holy Ghost. Glory, I feel the fire burning in my soul.

Surely we are living in the last days, I want to keep the upward gaze till I see Jesus coming. I want to be ready to meet Him in the air. Praise His Holy name. This is wonderful.

We have good attendance.

Brother Rollins is giving out the Word in all its fullness. We thank the Lord because He sent Him here. Please pray for Circleville that we may stay humble. Oh! I want to be humble at Jesus' feet. Praise the Lord. I want to be a soul winner for Jesus. Pray for me.

Your sister in Christ,
Martha M. Wagner.

Cascilla, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

The work in Grenada district is going nicely with the workers. The summer meetings are in progress and we are expecting some good results. Some good work was accomplished at the Gatewood meeting. Brother Lemons gave some good talks on Revelation. Gatewood is coming to the front.

A meeting has just closed at Young's Creek where some good work was done. Brothers Raney and Warbington started the meeting and Brother Pressgrove entered the meeting later. I commend the workers for their deep interest and untiring efforts during the meeting.

Meetings announced ahead are Friendship, August 15, and Turkey Foot Fork, September 1. There is a great call for meetings in the Delta. The pastors and assistants are doing faithful work. The members are standing by the church and "these things" do not move these people.

May the Lord bless all the Evangel family.

Lovingly,

P. F. Fritz, Dist. Overseer.

Ft. Pierce, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Dear Saints:

I am praising God for victory in my soul today. I can't thank God enough for saving, sanctifying and baptizing me and my husband with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues. Glory to God, this way gets sweeter to me every day. We are in the dear old Church of God and I shall always stand by it. I truly praise God for His healing power. Bless His dear name for showing us how to trust Him. Glory to God.

The devil tries us in many ways but the Lord is always ready to help. Earthly friends may refuse to help us but our Lord never refuses. I want to be true to Him.

We have a good Sunday School and prayer meeting here every Sunday and Sunday night but we have no preacher. Dear saints, please pray that God will send us one soon. Also pray for my unsaved son who is seeking the Lord and pray that my husband and I may stay humble and ready to do God's will at all times.

Your sister in Christ,
Ida Wilkinson.

Alicia, Ark.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Evangel Readers:

I want to praise God for the precious blood that has been applied to my heart. Bless His dear name. I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. I praise God for keeping me from sin each and every day. I am glad I have found this strait and narrow way. I have been in this way about a year and I am not tired yet for the way grows brighter. Bless His precious name for leading me into the Church of God.

I desire the prayers of all the saints that I may stay humble at Jesus' feet and ever be found doing His will.

Your humble sister in Christ,
Mrs. Mable Stalaker.

Report

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

We have just closed a two weeks meeting at Cherryville, N. C. We had a large attendance every night. People came for twelve and fifteen miles to hear the gospel. There was not so much reaping but it was a time of sowing. Eternity will tell the good that has been done in this meeting. Only two were saved but hundreds were convinced that this was the right way.

The people were afraid of us at first because so many different doctrines have been preached but were alright after they saw the real power of God manifested through His saints. Some of the people had never seen it on this fashion.

We go from here to Gastonia, N. C. for our next meeting, and we desire the prayers of all God's children. Brother Lemons will be there the latter part of the meeting to conduct a ten days Bible school. Brother S. N. Latimer is expected to be with us and we are expecting great things.

Brother C. N. Guire is with me in tent work, anyone wishing to write him or myself may address us at Gastonia, N. C.

Your brother for the lost,
C. C. Walker.

Flatwoods, Va.

To the Church of God Evangel Readers:

Someone unknown to me has sent me the Church of God Evangel and I believe it will prove a blessing to me. I am a child of God and when anyone gives Scripture, I accept it.

On the fourth night of July I was lonesome and was walking around. I heard some colored people singing and it sounded good to me. I walked up near the church and stopped and listened. The text that night was, "If God be for us who can be against us? I don't think I ever heard a much better sermon. I went closer and closer until I was in the house. The first thing I knew I was on the floor talking and I felt the love of God in my heart. When I sat down, they began singing, shouting, and talking in other tongues and it was real.

Please pray for me that I may see the true light and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

A friend to all God's people,
J. G. Mooney.

Jennings, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for the deep settled peace and the joy bells that ring in my soul. I was saved fifteen years ago in the Baptist church and was sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost about a year ago. This is a wonderful way.

The Lord has wonderfully blessed us in our meeting here at the West Lake Church of God. Brother John L. Stephens preached some powerful sermons. Eight received the baptism with the Holy Ghost, three were sanctified, three saved, eight followed the Lord in water baptism, and five were added to the great Church of God.

The Lord has called me into the ministry, and I want all the saints to pray for me that I may lead hundreds of souls to the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sins of the world."

Yours in Christ,
C. Sowell.

Newport, N. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Everywhere:

I want to sound a note of praise for our dear Savior through the little white-winged

What Do You do After Supper?

"If I know what a man does with his hours after supper I'll tell you what he will do in this world," is about what one great man said.

Everywhere, thousands, and hundreds of thousands, are studying evenings by correspondence to be better qualified for better jobs—studying at home by their own firesides—and they are getting better jobs.

What do You Owe to the Lord's Work?

If men and women are enterprising enough to work that way to promote their own selfish interests in this world, how much more should you, who have received so much from the Lord, give to preparing for the Lord's work?

We owe the Lord more than we can ever pay Him.

Now is the Accepted Time

You say you feel so weak you don't feel you can do much for the Lord.

We are ready to help you.

The first big class commences September 29th. Will you be with us. We invite you to be with us. We will do you good.

The catalog is ready. We want you to see it. It doesn't cost a cent. Here is a coupon for your convenience, just tear it out along the dotted line and mail to us and we will be glad to send it to you.

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Study by Correspondence.

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messenger. I thank Him for saving and sanctifying me with His precious blood. I thank Him for the light He has given me. I am not a member of the Church of God but expect to join soon.

I love to read the Evangel for it is food for my soul. Glory to God. I think every one should examine themselves and see if they are prepared for the coming of our King.

Dear reader, don't put off seeking the Lord till tomorrow for you do not know when the death angel is going to visit you. Jesus said, I am the way. He did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth.

Everyone that reads this, pray for me that I may be baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, also pray for my husband that he may accept the full gospel.

Your sister wanting to do God's will.

Mrs. Edwad Jones.

Chester, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints Scattered Abroad—

Greeting in Jesus' Dear Name: Today finds me saved, sanctified, filled and thrilled with the blessed Holy Ghost. My eyes are on the mountain top and I am running toward Zion with a deep determination in my heart to gain the joys that are laid up for me in that home beyond the grave. Glory to God.

Saints, if we ever needed to lift up the standard to a lost and dying world, it is now. We are living in the last days. We need to be on fire for Jesus all the time. "I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth." (Rev. 3:15, 16.) Let us put on the whole armour of God. Read Eph. 6:11-19, and you will learn what the whole armor is. "Be ye therefore followers of God as dear children." (Eph. 5:1.)

I have been in this way only since May but praise God, I am enjoying salvation now.

All of the saints pray that I may stand true.

Your brother in Christ,
R. E. Huddleston.

Foxworth, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Dear Saints of God:

I am praising God for victory in my soul. Glory to God! I love this humble way more every day of my life. Jesus came to save from sin. (Matt. 1:21.) I praise God for sanctifying me wholly. "Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered without the gate." (Heb. 13:12.) He filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. I love the dear old Church of God better every day. The temptations are great but God will not allow us to be tempted above that we are able to bear.

James tells us to count it all joy when we fall into divers temptations. (James 1:2.)

Pray for me that I may ever be a witness for Jesus.

Yours humbly,
A. Magee.

Point, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—

Greetings in Jesus' Dear Name: I want to praise God for the blessed way of holiness. Have just closed a ten days meeting here. The Lord sure did bless in giving out the Word. People came for miles and there was good attention. Three received the baptism with the Holy Ghost, one was sanctified, two followed the Lord in water baptism, and two were added to the dear old Church of God. The saints and sinners appreciate Brother Scoggins, he has been so faithful to the church here. Brother W. W. Rush from southern Texas also helped in the meeting. He sure is a great man. Thank God.

Saints, pray for the church here.

I dearly love the Church of God and all of its teachings and governments. Thank God. Also its reporting system, paying tithes, etc. May the good Lord bless all who have the rule over us.

Pray for me and my wife that we may be used for the Lord.

Your brother,
Robert Rabe.

Moore Haven, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

On July 4, Alfonso Lopez and wife and I started from Chokoloskee, Fla. down among the Keys to work for the Lord.

The first meeting we read the Word and prayed with a crowd of Roman Catholics who received the word gladly. The meeting continued two days and three nights. We left there for Rachel's Key. We found Episcopalians who would not open their church to us but we had open air meeting and held services in a vacant house several nights. Some of them were wonderfully changed and we left them shouting and praising God.

Next we went to Maticubee Island. The Methodist people were holding a meeting and gave us a hearty welcome. We continued five nights and they invited us to come again. We left for Roper Keys, then to Miami, then to Ft. Lauderdale. Brother Lopez and wife returned home from there.

I went to West Palm Beach and Brother Baxter and I met with some Church of God people and held services for five nights. We closed by observing the Lord's supper and feet washing and had a glorious time.

We are now at Moore Haven for ten days or longer, as the Lord leads. Brother Frank Roberts is with me.

I am only a lay member of the Church of God but I am out in the work for our great King and He is truly blessing in my feeble efforts. I don't know where we will go from here.

Your humble brother out for lost souls,

G. W. Howell

Jasper, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All Saints Abroad—Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name: I am praising God for the dear old Church of God and her Bible standard of a clean and humble way.

I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and on the run for Jesus. Pray for me. I need the prayers of those I love to help me battle for I have to fight alone here.

Your little humble brother in Christ,

Gilford Tipples

Millport, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I praise God for the old time religion and for the overcoming power that keeps me from sin 365 days in the year. I feel the fire burning in my soul and I am still determined to go all the way, let it cost what it may.

I certainly do enjoy reading the Evangel and tracts and handing them out. I am anxious to help spread this gospel. I realize that the coming of the Lord draweth nigh and what we do must be done quickly. I want to have on the wedding garment and have oil in my vessel when He comes, hallelujah. He very frequently opens the windows of heaven and pours me out a blessing that there is not room to contain. 'Tis then I greatly rejoice when I speak in tongues while the Spirit has full control.

I desire the prayers of the saints that I may stand true and do His will.

Your humble sister awaiting His coming,

Ellen Janes.

Notices

The Church of God at Gastonia, N. C. would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual

condition of the following members:

Mrs. J. S. Summerlin, Mary Carver, J. W. Simpson, J. W. Smith, Cora Johnson, and Maudie Brindle.

Mrs. Minnie Newton, Clerk, Gastonia, N. C.

We expect to start a meeting at Cedar Keys, Fla. Sept. 5, D. V. and run as long as the Lord leads. We ask the earnest prayers of all that the Lord will pour out His Spirit in such a way that souls will be saved, sanctified, and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost.

Everybody is welcome. If any minister feels led to come, we will be glad to have you. We want a great revival here. So many honest hearts have been bound so long.

C. A. Culpepper, Pastor, Wash Booth, Clerk.

Please say through the Evangel that my address is, T. P. Douglas, R. 4, Box 3, Williamsburg, Iowa, c/o Wilhelm Fischer.

I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and a member of the dear old Church of God.

I would like to rent a farm from some good Church of God man. I want a two horse farm. Want to grow cotton, corn, and potatoes.

N. A. Ivey, Dunn, N. C. R. 5, Box 96.

There will be a Church of God meeting at Front and Jefferson St., Wilmington, Del., beginning Aug. 17, and will continue ten or fifteen days, or longer if the Lord leads.

Sister Clara Mulliken of Trappe, Md. will be in charge. We expect to have Brother E. D. Hopkins and Sister Louise Werner, also, with us during the meeting.

Yours,

H. W. Potat.

Noriac, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and the Dear Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I am glad I am a child of the King and looking for His soon coming. I am in a place where I can't hear the Word preached and rightly divided unless I send for some preacher, as I am the only one here who is living a sanctified life.

R. C. Price from Morgantown held a weeks meeting for us. The Lord surely did bless him in giving out the Word. We had good crowds and the people were greatly interested. I hope to see a revival here and the unbelievers see light on God's Word. I want the dear saints to remember me in their prayers for I am weak in the Spirit.

A few days ago I felt weak and I begged the dear Lord to make me stronger. He gave me a vision which showed me that He is coming back soon.

Pray for my husband and three boys that they may be saved.

A sister in Christ, Mackie Hodges.

Notice

To All Ministers and Members of the Great Church of God and Saints Scattered abroad:

I have been recently informed that there was a report going the rounds that I had withdrawn from the Church of God, or had indicated my intention of doing so. I take this method of expressing to you that this is un-

true and without foundation. For if I build again the things I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. Gal. 2:18. I have spent the best part of my life contending for the principle of the great Church of God and against its opposers, and I have no intention of leaving her but to march on under her glorious banner until final victory is obtained.

M. S. Lemons.

OVERSEERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

1. Ala. J. B. Ellis, Box 71, Alabama City, Ala.
2. Ark. John Burk, Haynes, Ark.
3. Bahamas, Milton Padgett, 421-3rd St. Miami, Fla.
4. Fla. F. J. Lee, Wimauma, Fla.
5. Ga. M. S. Lemons, 48 Evans St., Atlanta, Ga.
6. Ill. D. P. Barnett, Eldorado, Ill.
7. Ky. Geo. T. Brouayer, 1711 Duncan St. Louisville, Ky.
8. La. M. S. Haynes, Kentwood, La.
9. Miss. E. B. Culpepper, Lake Park, Ga.
10. New Mex. Owen R. Rouse, Raton, New Mex.
11. N. C. S. W. Latimer, Spring Place, Ga.
12. Ohio, Efford Haynes, 818 Main St., Chillicothe, Ohio.
13. Okla. R. L. Cotnam, in care of Evangel Office, Cleveland, Tenn.
14. S. C. W. H. Cross, Walhalla, S. C.
15. Tenn. J. S. Llewellyn, Soddy, Tenn.
16. Tex. H. N. Scoggins, Lyra, Texas.
17. Va. J. A. Davis, Max Meadows, Va.
18. W. Va. W. M. Rumler, Cedar Grove, W. Va.

Kimberly, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Dear Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I praise God for victory in my soul and for the Holy Ghost for He abides this morning. I have an upward gaze for I want to make heaven my home at any cost.

I praise God for His true saints at Kimberly. There is some pure gold here for the saints' prayers held me up when I was so afflicted in body and mind that I could not help myself. We have some wonderful meetings here sometimes. God manifests His power among His children and we give God the glory.

I want all the Saints to pray that I may stand true at all times, also pray for my unsaved husband.

Your sister under the blood, Lillie Satterfield.

FOXES' BOOK OF MARTYRS

The title describes the contents of the book. This book contains information that, if read, will no doubt be a blessing to our people at this time. Single copy, post paid \$1.25. Order of EVANGEL OFFICE.

Bushnell, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Dear Saints:

I want to thank God for the deep settled peace in my soul and for victory over sin. Praise the Lord. I have a determination to go through, glory to God. I thank God for sending Brother R. P. Johnson to this place. I was lost in sin and after he had preached several times I went to the altar one night. The Lord blessed me and later on I was saved, sanctified and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost. Glory! I have been in this way only a short time but the way gets sweeter to me each day.

Pray for me to stand true and do God's will.

Your sister in Christ, Sallie Atkins.

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Artesia, Miss.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints—Greetings and Peace Unto Thee:

I thank the Lord for filling me with the Holy Ghost until my cup ran over and I spake with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Hallelujah! Praise the Lord. The Lord must have a people that will praise Him continually. The devil would like to make us ashamed to praise our God. I have seen the time that I didn't think it meant much to praise God but as I am a professor and a possessor of God's "holiness," it means much to praise God.

Can't you endorse God's plan of redemption and salvation? Then you can say "Amen" to the following Scripture, "A believer of the Word is a doer." (Jas. 1: 22, 23.)

In order to receive the Holy Ghost and be endued with power, Luke tells us "they were continually praising and blessing God." (Luke 24:53.) Paul tells us to praise Him continually, not in our hearts only but the fruit of our lips. (Heb. 13: 15.)

Let us see how David gave God the glory. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." (Matt. 12:34.) In Psa. 1:1,2, how blessed it is to meditate in the law of the Lord day and night. Psa. 119:62, "At midnight I will rise to give thanks unto thee because of thy righteous judgments." Psa. 119: 97, "O how love I thy law! It is my meditation all the day." Psa. 34:1, "I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth." (not heart only) Psa. 35:28, "And my tongue shall speak of thy righteousness and of thy praise all the day long."

The nine gifts in 1 Cor. 12, are to the church, go in and possess the land. Awake, O Zion, and put on thy strength. "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him. (1 Cor. 2:9.) Do you love Him? Keep His commandments. (John 14:15.) Tarry until ye receive the Holy Ghost. (Acts 1:4.)

One that loves Jesus, the Christ,

Mrs. W. B. Lummus.

Song Books

Please announce in our paper that I have for sale a good number of song books, words only, which I believe our people will be glad to use. The book is entitled, "Holiness Hymns" and contains 31 of the very best soul stirring songs.

Price 10c each. Special prices in larger quantities.

Address B. O. Rosenbaum, Lenoir City, Tenn.

Princeton, N. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I am praising God for full salvation. I am free from sin, sanctified and baptized with the blessed Holy Ghost, and added to the Church of God. I am not ashamed to bear my Father's name. This is a despised and persecuted way but the more it is persecuted, the better I love it. If we love Him, we will love His body. Praise God.

I praise God for His healing power. I believe in divine healing as much as any other part of the Bible. The Lord has kept me healed six years.

The light on the church has not been in this country but a short while, and there is much opposing power. There are also

many stray sheep who need to be in the fold.

I want all the saints to pray that the dear Lord will send a great revival to this place.

Your sister looking for Jesus, Ella Howell.

Branford, Fla.

To the Dear Evangel Readers, and Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings in Jesus' Name:

I praise God for saving me about five weeks ago, and a little later He sanctified me and gave me the precious Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. Praise His dear name. I followed Jesus in water baptism yesterday. The saints then went to the church. While some of the men were praying and God was blessing and healing the sick, the sisters were having a grove meeting. When all met together at the church, we had a glorious time. This is a glorious way.

I request the prayers of all the saints that me and my dear wife may ever be humble at the foot of the cross and in the center of God's will. Bless His dear name.

Your humble brother under blood,

J. B. Pullum.

Winterhaven, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints—Greetings in Jesus' Precious Name:

I praise God that the Holy Ghost still abides. It has been my lot to be here a month and there are no Church of God people here. I am very lonely but happy with Jesus alone. He said He would never leave us nor forsake us. Praise His name. I am glad to know I am one of them. I belong to the great Church of God that Jesus said the gates of hell should not prevail against.

All I could do for Jesus here is to hand out tracts for the true Word rightly divided has not been preached here. I wish some one would come with a tent. I will support the preacher if he comes.

Pray for me for I mean to go through at any cost. We must work while it is day for the night is coming fast.

Your sister looking for the coming King,

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